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furnished by the president of the Louisiana State board of health, viz: Smallpox, 248 cases, 22 white, 226 colored; remaining on hand May 1, 202 cases, 20 white, 182 colored, of which 189 were in the pesthouse and 13 in 11 quarantined houses; diphtheria, 17 cases, 14 white, 3 colored; scarlatina, 10 cases, all white; deaths, smallpox, 92, all colored; diphtheria, 3, all white. No deaths from scarlatina.

Very respectfully,

HENRY W. SAWTELLE, Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

## Smallpox in Tennessee.

NASHVILLE, May 6, 1896.

SIR: Following is a statement of the occurrence of smallpox in Tennessee for the month ending April 30: In the city of Memphis, Shelby County, there occurred 6 cases of smallpox, all colored; in Shelby County (outside of the city of Memphis), 11 cases; 2 white and 9 colored, with 3 deaths. Two cases were reported from Covington, Tipton County; also 1 other case reported from Cedar Point, making a total of 3 cases in Tipton County, all colored. In Jackson, Madison County, 1 case was discovered in the person of a negro man, porter on passenger train running between Jackson, Tenn., and Cairo, Ill.; thus making a total of 21 cases (2 white and 19 colored), with 3 deaths, in the State for the month. The usual precautions of vaccination, isolation, and disinfection were observed. The disease is rapidly abating.

Very respectfully, J. Berrien Lindsley, Secretary and Executive Officer, State Board of Health.

Arrival of steamship Patria with 1 case of variola on board.

QUARANTINE, STATEN ISLAND, New York, May 8, 1896.

Steamship *Patria* arrived yesterday with 1 case of smallpox. Disinfection performed; 456 vaccinated; 36 removed to Hoffman Island for observation. Vessel will be released to-day.

A. H. Doty, Health Officer.

Representatives of the Louisiana State board of health appointed for Central American ports.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., May 7, 1896.

SIR: I beg to inform you that the following-named physicians have been appointed medical officers of this board in Central American ports: Dr. Wm. H. Carson, with residence at Belize, British Honduras, including itinerary of Livingston, Guatemala, and Port Barrios, Guatemala; Dr. J. C. Stickney, with residence at Puerto Cortez, Spanish Honduras; Dr. W. K. Fort, with residence at La Ceiba, Spanish Honduras; Dr. C. W. Knight, with residence at Bluefields, Nicaragua; Dr. L. A. Wailes, with residence at Port Limon, Costa Rica; Dr. W. B. Bonsall, with residence at Bocas del Toro, United States of Colombia; Dr. Jas. F. Finney, with residence at Colon, United States of Colombia.

\* \* Very respectfully,

S. R. OLLIPHANT, M. D., President State Board of Health.

Dr. H. W. SAWTELLE, Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.